

## § 174.21

board when the vessel is in use, rendering aid in a vessel accident, and reporting of vessel casualties and accidents.

(46 U.S.C. 1451, 1467, 1488; 49 CFR 1.46(n)(1))

[CGD 72-54R, 37 FR 21402, Oct. 7, 1972, as amended by CGD 77-117, 44 FR 42195, July 19, 1979; USCG-1999-5832, 64 FR 34715, June 29, 1999]

### § 174.21 Contents of temporary certificate.

A temporary certificate issued pending the issuance of a certificate of number must contain the following information:

- (a) Make of vessel.
- (b) Length of vessel.
- (c) Type of propulsion.
- (d) State in which vessel is principally used.
- (e) Name of owner.
- (f) Address of owner, including ZIP code.
- (g) Signature of owner.
- (h) Date of issuance.
- (i) Notice to the owner that the temporary certificate is invalid after 60 days from the date of issuance.

### § 174.23 Form of number.

(a) Each number must consist of two capital letters denoting the State of the issuing authority, as specified in Appendix A of Part 173 of this chapter, followed by—

- (1) Not more than four numerals followed by not more than two capital letters (example: NH 1234 BD); or
  - (2) Not more than three numerals followed by not more than three capital letters (example: WN 567 EFG).
- (b) A number suffix must not include the letters “I”, “O”, or “Q,” which may be mistaken for numerals.

### § 174.25 Size of certificate of number.

Each certificate of number must be approximately 2½ by 3½ inches.

### § 174.27 Duration of certificate of number.

A certificate of number must not be valid for more than 3 years.

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### § 174.29 Temporary certificate of number.

A State may issue a temporary certificate of number that is effective for not more than 60 days.

### § 174.31 Terms and conditions for vessel numbering.

A State numbering system may condition the issuance of a certificate of number on—

- (a) Title to, or other proof of ownership of a vessel except a recreational-type public vessel of the United States; or
- (b) The payment of State or local taxes, except for a recreational-type public vessel of the United States.

## Subpart C—Casualty Reporting System Requirements

### § 174.101 Applicability of State casualty reporting system.

- (a) A State casualty reporting system must require the reporting of vessel casualties and accidents involving vessels to which § 173.51 of this chapter applies.
- (b) The State casualty reporting system may also require vessel casualty or accident reports for property damage in amounts less than that required under § 173.55 of this chapter.

(46 U.S.C. 1486; 49 CFR 1.46(n)(1))

[CGD 72-54R, 37 FR 21402, Oct. 7, 1972, as amended by CGD 76-155, 44 FR 5309, Mar. 25, 1979; CGD 82-015, 54 FR 5610, Feb. 6, 1989]

### § 174.103 Administration.

The State casualty reporting system must be administered by a State agency that—

- (a) Will provide for the reporting of all casualties and accidents prescribed in § 173.55 of this chapter;
- (b) Receives reports of vessel casualties or accidents required in § 174.101;
- (c) Reviews each accident and casualty report to assure the accuracy and completeness of each report;
- (d) Determines the cause of casualties and accidents reported based on information available and indicates the apparent cause on the casualty report or on an attached page;
- (e) Notifies the Coast Guard, in writing, when a problem area in boating

safety peculiar to the State is determined, together, with corrective measures instituted or recommended; and

(f) Reports on vessel numbering and vessel casualties and accidents as required in Subpart D of this part.

(46 U.S.C. 1486; 49 CFR 1.46(n)(1))

[CGD 72-54R, 37 FR 21402, Oct. 7, 1972, as amended by CGD 76-155, 44 FR 5309, Mar. 25, 1979]

**§ 174.105 Owner or operator casualty reporting requirements.**

A State casualty reporting system must contain the following requirements of Part 173 applicable to an owner or a person operating a vessel:

(a) Section 173.55 *Report of casualty or accident.*

(b) Section 173.57 *Casualty or accident report.*

(c) Section 173.59 *Where to report.*

(46 U.S.C. 1451, 1467, 1488; 49 CFR 1.46 (n)(1))

[CGD 77-117, 44 FR 42195, July 19, 1979]

**§ 174.106 State casualty reporting system optional sections.**

In addition to the requirements in § 174.105, a State casualty reporting system may contain any of the other requirements applicable to a vessel owner or operator prescribed in Part 173.

(46 U.S.C. 1451, 1467, 1488; 49 CFR 1.46 (n)(1))

[CGD 77-117, 44 FR 42195, July 19, 1979, as amended by USCG-1999-5832, 64 FR 34715, June 29, 1999]

**§ 174.107 Contents of casualty or accident report form.**

Each form for reporting a vessel casualty or accident must contain the information required in § 173.57 of this chapter.

**Subpart D—State Reports**

**§ 174.121 Forwarding of casualty or accident reports.**

Within 30 days of the receipt of a casualty or accident report, each State that has an approved numbering system must forward a copy of that report to the Commandant (G-OPB), U.S.

Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street, SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

[USCG-1998-3799, 63 FR 35533, June 30, 1998, as amended by USCG-2004-18057, 69 FR 34926, June 23, 2004]

**§ 174.123 Annual report of numbered vessels.**

Before March 1 of each year, each State that has an approved numbering system must prepare and submit Coast Guard Form CGHQ-3923, Report of Certificates of Number Issued to Boats, to the Coast Guard.

**§ 174.125 Coast Guard address.**

The report required by § 174.123 must be sent to the Office of Boating Safety, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001.

[CGD 88-052, 53 FR 25122, July 1, 1988, as amended by CGD 96-026, 61 FR 33669, June 28, 1996]

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